

# MAYOR WILLIAM “BILL” EDWARDS ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## EDUCATION

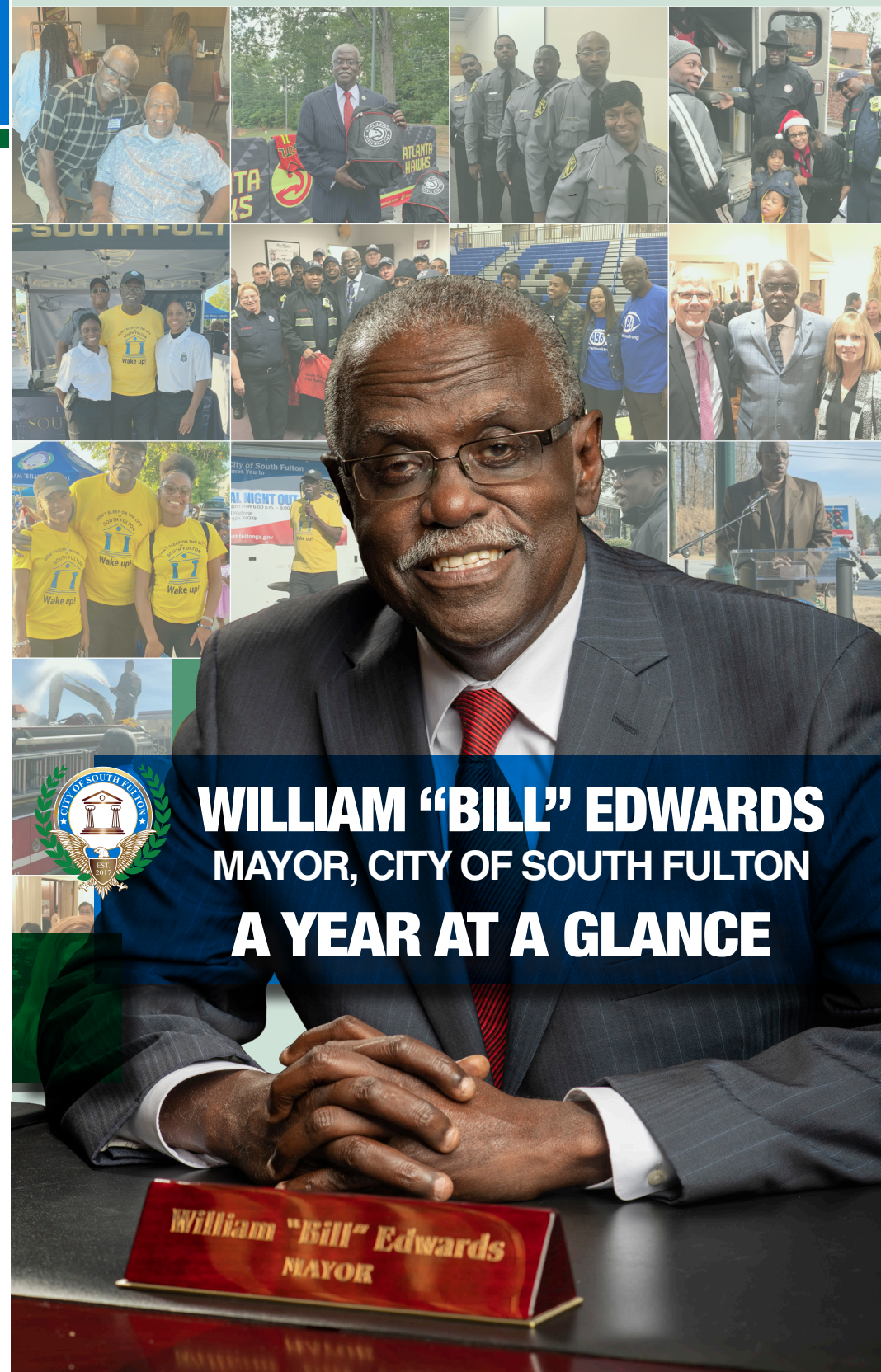
- Launched Mayor’s Taskforce on Education
- Secured sponsorships for:
  - 2018 Championship rings for Langston Hughes Boys Basketball Team
  - Uniforms for Westlake Blue Reign Dancers
  - 2019 Championship Banquet for Westlake Girls Basketball Team

## COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

- Launched Mayor’s Community Walk - June 2018
- Launched Mayor’s Ministerial Council - February 9, 2018
- Re-lighted Cascade Corridor street lights - February 2019
- Co-Hosted Health Fair & Community-Wide Clean Up at Zion Hill Baptist Church - March 30, 2019
- Co-Hosted New Life Presbyterian Cancer Awareness Initiatives - Fall 2019
- Launched Mayor for a Day - March 11, 2019
- Launched “Let’s Talk with Mayor William ‘Bill’ Edwards” Podcast - October 2019

## AWARDS & MEMBERSHIPS

- Most Powerful and Influential Mayor in Georgia – Women Works Media Group
- Chair 2020 Census
- Featured in the South Fulton Lifestyle Magazine as a Political Player and Atlanta Business Journal Business Profile
- U. S. Conference of Mayors - Children’s, Health and Human Services Standing Committee
- The Marquis Who’s Who in America Achievement Award



**WILLIAM “BILL” EDWARDS**  
**MAYOR, CITY OF SOUTH FULTON**  
**A YEAR AT A GLANCE**





### **Greetings** **City of South Fulton Resident!**

As the first Mayor and leader of the great City of South Fulton, I am honored to share some of the accomplishments that we have achieved with the last two years.

As of November 19, 2018, the City has met every key milestone required by state statute including the transition of all required municipal services. To date, our City stands on a strong foundation laid by 100,000 pioneers focused on self-realization, efficient service delivery, and continued improvement. The successful transition of services has ensured that

the City will maintain access to key revenue sources, take control over key facilities operating within the City limits, and increase the quality of service delivery over previous levels.

The transition has allowed the City of South Fulton to expand our focus on key issues that affects the quality of life for all residents, further leveraging our five key priorities: 1. Improve Parks and Recreation; 2. Improve Public Safety; 3. Economic Development; 4. Updating Comprehensive & Land Use Plans; 5. Create Branding & Messaging.

I am proud to say that the City is rapidly growing, and through this growth period, the City is committed to ensuring our residents receive world class customer service and access to resources that support a safe, inclusive, innovative, and economically vibrant city.

We are well on our way and whether you are here to live, work or play, we know that the City of South Fulton is quickly becoming,

*Where You Want To Be!*

In Service,  
**William "Bill" Edwards**  
**Mayor**

## **CITY OF SOUTH FULTON** **STATISTICS & FACTS**

### **TRANSITION OF CITY SERVICES WITHIN 2 YEARS**

- Incorporation of the City of South Fulton - May 1, 2017
- Established the following on July 3, 2017:
  - Community Development Department
  - Business License Division
  - Permit Division
  - Planning & Zoning Division
- Appointed City Attorney - February 13, 2018
- Established Fire & Rescue Department - February 26, 2018
- Appointed City Manager - March 7, 2018
- Established Police Department - March 26, 2018
- Established Parks & Recreation Department - May 28, 2018
- Established Economic Development Department - July 23, 2018
- Established Public Works Department - November 19, 2018
- Swore in Chief Pro Tem Judge - August 19, 2019

### **POLICE**

- Swore in Police Chief Keith Meadows - July 2018
- Arrests decreased by 5% and Sworn personnel increased by 40%
- Opened three new Police Precincts
  - Cedar Grove Mini-Precinct - August 4, 2018
  - Cascade Precinct - August 31, 2018
  - Butner Road Precinct - October 17, 2019

### **FIRE RESCUE**

- Hired Fire Chief Freddie Broome - May 2019
- ISO Rating 3
- Response times for fire-related emergencies decreased by more than 30 seconds. Average response time is within seconds of the National Fire Protection Association's benchmark

### **PARKS & RECREATION**

- Award winning youth programs
- 17 parks across 700 acres
- Miracle League
  - After school programs
  - Basketball programs in partnership with the Atlanta Hawks
- STEM Programs to help students
- Top-flight aquatics programs
- Programming for adults and senior citizens

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

- Hosted First Career Expo - January 25, 2019, which attracted 27 employers and more than 200 job seekers
- 1,700 + Businesses within city limits
- Issued more than 2,000 permits (75% increase from 2018)
- International Development Initiatives with delegates from China, Japan and Nigeria